

# Business

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interest for more than

NStar, has hired Meredith  
r, the real estate firm, to  
to someone who wants to  
promising area that never-  
huge swaths years away  
ment.

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its central location," said  
a vice president at Mer-  
t, who along with broker-  
t Thomas J. Hynes Jr. is  
he curved,  $\frac{7}{10}$ -of-an-acre  
at land.

price is set for the land,  
Anastasia, assistant treas-  
r, the electric and gas util-  
stern Massachusetts, esti-

mated in 2003 that it was worth about  
\$10 million.

The land, on the south side of Con-  
gress Street across from a parking lot  
on land owned by Frank H. McCourt  
Jr., is zoned for 155 feet of height. But if  
the Boston Redevelopment Authority  
agreed to designate it a "planned devel-  
opment area," the allowed height could  
rise to about 250 feet, which is a few  
floors taller than the World Trade Cen-  
ter office towers nearby.

The roof on the closest building, the  
Big Dig vent structure, is 115 feet high,  
but exhaust stacks rise to 178 feet.

The land is not yet permitted for de-  
velopment, but NStar worked with the  
city, Massachusetts Highway Depart-

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## Rate requests for natural gas utilities

Proposed increases would take effect Nov. 1

Company	Proposed 2005-2006 average peak monthly bill	Dollar change in total bill per month	Percent change in total bill per month
Bay State Gas Co.	\$291.83	\$65.83	29.2%
Berkshire Gas Co.	257.19	58.16	29.2
Blackstone Gas Co.	248.02	57.75	30.4
Keyspan/Boston Gas Co.	279.00	47.00	20.1
Keyspan/Colonial Gas Co.			
Cape	211.00	41.00	24.1
Lowell	261.00	51.00	24.1
Keyspan/Essex Gas Co.	263.00	63.00	31.4
Fall River Gas Co.	218.79	51.03	30.4
Fitchburg Gas Co.	264.70	51.78	24.3
North Attleboro Gas Co.	254.17	42.84	20.3
NStar Gas	250.88	56.02	28.7
Average		53.22	26.6

SOURCE: Mass. Department of Telecommunications and Energy

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